

Subject: Miering, Hermann
(Pforten, Germany)

Kent, Henry Watson
[Metropolitan Museum
of Art]

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THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM
OF ART
NEW YORK

PRESIDENT, ROBERT W. DE FOREST
DIRECTOR, EDWARD ROBINSON
SECRETARY, HENRY W. KENT

December 3, 1929

Dear Mr. Noe:

I am inclosing to you herewith a copy of a letter which we received Saturday from Mr. Hermann Miering of Pforthen, Germany, whose previous correspondence was sent to you on September 16. We have informed Mr. Miering that coins are outside the scope of our collections and that therefore his letter and his list had been referred to your museum.

Very truly yours,

H. W. Kent

Mr. Sydney P. Noe, Secretary
The American Numismatic Society
Broadway and 156th Street
New York, N. Y.

C O P Y

Pfoerten near Forst (Lausitz), Germ.
November 4th, 1929

To the Public Metropolitan Museum
New York, U. S. A.

At the beginning of the month of September I begged to send you an offer to buy my collection of coins of past centuries adjoining a list of the respective coins.

Unfortunately I didn't hear anything from you nor did I get back the list in spite of my adjoining the post-stamps. I should be very glad to hear from you as soon as possible if you are interested for my collection or at least to get back the list.

If you cannot make any use of my offer I should thank you for another respective address.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Hermann Miering

Hermann Miering
Uhrmacher
Pförten (Kreis Sorau)

December 6th 1929

Mr. H. W. Kent
Sec'y, The Metropolitan Museum of Art
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Kent:

Responding to your letter of
December 3rd, concerning the communication of
Hermann Miering of Phorten, Germany, answer
was made and the list of his collection returned
to him, a few days ago. It was only recently
that we received his letter.

Yours very truly,

Curator.

THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM
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NEW YORK

PRESIDENT, ROBERT W. DE FOREST
DIRECTOR, EDWARD ROBINSON
SECRETARY, HENRY W. KENT

January 31, 1930

The American Numismatic Society
Broadway at 156th Street
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

I beg to inclose to you herewith a catalogue just received
by the Museum, which belongs with the correspondence of Shirasaki
Hosendo, referred to you on January 28.

Very truly yours,

H. W. Kent
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May 28, 1930

Metropolitan Museum of Art
Fifth Avenue
New York City

Attention Mr. Kent, Secretary

Dear Sir:

On January 28th and 31st you turned over to us a manuscript catalogue and a notation of a collection of Chinese and Korean coins. The name and address given in pencil was as follows: Shirasaki Hosendo Aizo, Kosen Takuhon Tsuzuri. We have been unable to get in touch with this person. Have you any better address and do you know if "Kosen" is meant for Chosen, the present name for Korea?

Very truly yours,

Curator.

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PRESIDENT, ROBERT W. DE FOREST
DIRECTOR, EDWARD ROBINSON
SECRETARY, HENRY W. KENT

June 24, 1930

Mr. Howland Wood, Curator
The American Numismatic Society
Broadway at 156th St.
New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

I am sorry that we have been delayed in answering your inquiry of recent date with regard to an offer for sale of a collection of Chinese and Korean coins. We have just learned that the Japanese words Shirasaki Hosendo Aizo Kosen Takuhon Tsuzuri are not an address but mean "rubblings of ancient coins in the collection of Shirasaki Hosendo," and that negotiations for the purchase of the collection were to be made through the American Consul-General at Tairen (?), China.

If you will be good enough to return the correspondence to us, we shall try to help you in the matter of its translation.

Very truly yours,

H. W. Kent

June 26, 1930

Metropolitan Museum of Art
Fifth Avenue, New York City

Atten: Mr. H.W. Kent, Secretary

Dear Mr. Kent:

Under separate cover I am returning the catalogue of Chinese and Japanese coins, together with the book of rubbings, the two sheets in Japanese, and the pencil notation that came with the package. We do not find that we had any further correspondence from you concerning this material.

Very truly yours,

Curator.

May 2, 1936

Mr. H. W. Kent,
The Metropolitan Museum of Art,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Kent:

I am enclosing a letter from Mr. V. B. Crowther-Beynon, asking that you turn over to us a certain coin or money weight that you are now holding.

The piece is probably of little value and could come by ordinary or parcel post mail.

Very truly yours,

Curator

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THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM
OF ART
NEW YORK

PRESIDENT, GEORGE BLUMENTHAL
DIRECTOR, HERBERT E. WINLOCK
SECRETARY, HENRY W. KENT

May 4, 1936

Mr. Howland Wood
The American Numismatic Society
Broadway at 156th Street
New York City

Dear Mr. Wood:

I have your letter of May 2, and in accordance with a request from Mr. V. B. Crowther-Beynon, I am sending you herewith by registered post, the brass coin or weight which was offered here as a gift and declined as outside the scope of our collections.

Very truly yours,

H. W. Kent